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I would like to comment on the proposed settlement with Microsoft.

I use Windows, and several of the other products that have abused the legal process to try to defeat Microsoft in the courtroom.

Windows is a great operating program that comes with several basic programs, The ability to surf the net, write a note, listen to an music file.

Do you really think the consumer benefits from getting nothing in the package, and having to buy add-ons from day one.

If I use my computer for graphics, the included "Paint" program is inadequate.

But it's inclusion is just fine if my kids want to play with it. The same is true for "notepad" it is simple a basic way to type a note, not some conspiracy to destroy Wordperfect.

And as for "Internet Explorer" has anyone installed Netscape, why can Netscape assume after installation that it is the default program for surfing the internet, and that is fine. Isn't this an unfair practice?

You can not include every program that exists in the Windows package, and excluding one over another is bound to effect the company not selected.

The Government should not be in the business of siding with one company over another. And like the supposed cigarette settlement, This trial will only enrich some small group of lawyers.

I have several checks for .75 or .60 cents, my portion of a multi million dollar credit card company trial, The Lawyer who though up the lawsuit gets 20 to 30 percent of the total, while the supposedly injured parties get literally pennies. This is your great profession at work, this is how your efforts help the injured.

But I doubt any effort will be made to insure that settlement money is fairly distributed, and Lawyers don't walk away with millions while the litigants get pennies.

What's next ?

Why don't you DOJ people starts to look at the buggy whip conspiracy, how Detroit industrialist, worked to create the automobile, and destroyed the leather industry giants.

Or how electricity destroyed the candles makers,

get real people, move on.

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